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LEGISLATIVE MATTERS OF LOCAL INTEREST.

The act to extend the charter of the Waldo Street Railway Co. has passed the House to be engrossed.

In the Senate Feb. 8th on motion by Mr. Morse of Waldo, "Resolve in favor of Matthias A. Cullinan of Belfast" was taken from the table. On further motion by the same senator, the same was referred to the committee on pensions.

Mr. Morse presented the remonstrance of T. N. Pearson, M. D., and 38 others against resubmission of the prohibitory amendment.

In the House Feb. 8th the following remonstrances were presented against change of law relating to trustee process:

By Mr. Martin of Rumford: Remonstrance of E. W. Howe and 24 others of Rumford; of J. H. Brown and 10 others of Freedom; of C. M. Plummer and 5 others of Montville; of Adams & Knight and 8 others of Unity; of Chute & Mitchell and 9 others of Bangor.

By Mr. Page of Appleton: Remonstrance of Charles A. Simmons and 8 others of Appleton.

Mr. Poor of Belfast introduced an act to amend chapter 180 of the private and special laws of 1879 establishing the police court of Belfast. This measure extends the jurisdiction of the court and fixes the salary of the judge at \$1,000, payable by the county.

Under suspension of the rules the so-called druggists' bill was introduced in the House of Representatives Feb. 9th by Representative Howes of Palmyra. This bill is understood to have the sanction of the Civic League and the W. C. T. U. It provides that any registered druggist may sell to any adult person not more than one quart of alcoholic liquor in any one week, said liquor not to be drunk on the premises. This limit, however, does not apply to wholesale druggists selling to apothecaries. The purchaser is required to file with the apothecary a certificate stating that he is more than 21 years of age and has never been convicted of intoxication. The druggist is to keep these certificates in book form and make an annual detailed report to the secretary of State, who shall refer the report to the governor and council. A penalty of imprisonment for 30 days is provided for those who present a false statement for procuring liquor, and the druggist who violates the law loses his right to sell alcoholic liquors. The bill does away with that part of the prohibitory law which makes the possession of a U. S. tax receipt prima facie evidence that he is violating the law. It was referred to the committee on temperance.

The following petitions were presented in the house Feb. 9th:

By Mr. Burdett of Union: Petition of W. E. Norwood and 5 others prohibiting fishing in the Norwood brook in Union for a term of four years; of J. A. Calderwood and 4 others prohibiting fishing in the Calderwood brook in Washington for a term of four years.

By Mr. Sparrow of Freedom: Petition of W. G. Fuller and 5 others of Unity asking for enactment of a law prohibiting fishing in Sandy and Half Moon streams and their tributaries; also the tributaries to Unity pond in Waldo county; A. B. Sparrow and 47 others of Freedom and Thorndike for same.

By Mr. Stevens of Portland: Petition of Milken, Tomlinson & Co., and 252 others to restrict the use of purse and drag seines in the rivers and bays of this State.

By Mr. Witherspoon of North Haven: Petition of C. E. Brown and 29 others of North Haven relating to repeal of special law relating to fish.

Ruel Robinson of Camden appeared before the judiciary committee, Feb. 9th, in behalf of the incorporation of the Monterey, Association, whose object it is to furnish electric lights and water in Camden and Lincolnville to summer residents.

In the Senate Friday when the proposition that the report of the committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on the resolves in favor of the home for feeble minded and school for feeble minded that they be referred to the next Legislature, which was tabled, Wednesday, by Senator Staples, be taken from the table, the Senator from Knox requested that it be reassigned to Feb. 15th. He stated that owing to the fact that he was not feeling well he did not feel capable of discussing the matter, that morning. Senator Morse, who wished to speak on the matter, could not be present, Tuesday, therefore he wished to assign Wednesday as the time of taking from table, and to amend the debate this assignment was made.

In the Senate Friday Mr. Morse of Waldo introduced the bill, an act to amend section 2 of chapter 212 of the private and special laws of 1903, relating to the Searspott Water Company; also to extend the charter of said company.

In the House Friday Mr. Pendleton of Isleboro presented the petition of L. D. Holmes and 27 others for close time on Oak Hill Lake in the town of Swanville.

The bill to establish a home for the blind, calling for an appropriation of \$40,000, has been referred to the next Legislature.

A feature of Friday's session was the receipt of a large number of petitions asking that women be given equal suffrage with men.

The bill of Representative Powers, repealing the bounty on porcupines, was passed to be enacted. It will take effect 10 days after being signed by Gov. Cobb.

In the Senate Monday Mr. Morse of Waldo presented an act to extend the charter of the Camden & Liberty Railway. Also an act to extend the charter of the Wintport, Frankfort & Prospect Electric Railway.

The following petitions were presented in the Senate Monday and referred to the committee on banks and banking:

By Mr. Clark of Hancock: Petition of S. D. Gray and 12 others of Brooksville for passage of an Act to amend the charter of the Waldo Trust Co.

By Mr. Morse of Waldo: Bill, An Act to incorporate the Searspott Trust Co.

Also, Petition of George W. Warren and 37 others for passage of an Act to amend the charter of the Waldo Trust Co.

The committee on railways will have hearings March 1st as follows:

No. 75. An act to incorporate the Bangor and Northern Maine Short Line Railway.

No. 76. An act to incorporate the Bangor and Northern Railroad Company.

The committee on banks and banking will have the following hearings Feb. 21st:

On an act to incorporate the Belfast Banking Company, Belfast, Maine.

On a petition to amend the charter of the Waldo Trust Company.

On an act to amend section 76, chapter 48, Revised Statutes, relating to Loan and Building Associations.

On an act to incorporate the Newport Trust Company.

U. OF M. NEWS.

Hon. W. W. Stetson, State Superintendent of Education, spoke in Orono last Monday night on "Our Problems" to an interested audience.

The Philological Club had a specially interesting meeting in Wingate Hall last Tuesday evening, when Dr. O. F. Lewis spoke on "The Interpretation of Literature" and Prof. W. F. Jackson addressed the club on "The Poet as a Prophet."

Great is the rejoicing in athletic circles over the fact that Frank J. McCoy of the Yale Law school is to coach the Maine football team next fall. Mr. McCoy played half-back at Amherst with great success and although he was debarred from playing on the Yale 'varsity on account of the four year rule he got out for practice and has had the advantage of the Yale system of play. It is expected that Mr. McCoy will do great things for the 'varsity next fall.

The Debating Club held their usual meeting last Tuesday evening. It was the first meeting of the new officers. Last week E. L. Densmore, '05, of Whitney was elected president, C. E. Davis, '07, of Bridgton, vice president and Florence Valentine, '05, of Orono, secretary and treasurer.

Prof. Frank C. Allen of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology will lecture on the "Development of the Railroad" this evening. Prof. Allen's thorough knowledge of his subject will make this audience a large one. The next lecture will be the last of the course which has been so successful.

The military ball is the chief social occurrence of interest this week, and will be one of the notable events of the season. About 500 tickets have been issued. The reception will begin at 8 o'clock in the chapel, which will be transformed into an evergreen forest. Behind the reception committee an array of tents, surrounded with stacked arms and colors will be pitched. The grand march is to begin at 9 o'clock in the gym, which is to be decorated with red, white and blue bunting and flags. The ball is given by the cadet battalion, who have been making plans for it for some time.

Prof. Karl P. Harrington is to lecture to the Kolschmer Club of Portland tonight on "Music and Religion," and at Phillips Exeter Academy at Exeter, New Hampshire on "The Roman Boy" Friday evening.

Prof. O. F. Lewis is to speak at the annual reception of Twentieth Century Club of Bangor next Friday evening on "A Phase of Social Betterment."

The Theta Epsilon entertained their friends at a house dance at their chapter house last Saturday evening.

Dr. G. A. Drew has been confined to the house the past week by a severe cold.

The University of Maine lost one of its most valued friends and energetic alumni in the death of James D. Lazell, '87, president of the General Alumni Association, and interested worker for the welfare of his Alma Mater. Mr. Lazell's death resulted from injuries to his head caused by an automobile accident last October, and he will be sincerely mourned by everyone connected with the University. Mr. Lazell had been especially successful in business, and was one of the foremost of the Beta Theta Pi men in forwarding the erection of their new chapter house. Professor R. K. Jones went to Rockland to attend the funeral. Mr. Lazell's grandfather was Jonathan Cilley of Thomaston.

Professor Colvin is meeting the students in history under her every two weeks at the Mt. Vernon House to discuss topics of interest in connection with their work.

The University Council has recently had a picture taken. The council is composed of President Fellows, Dean Hart, Professor Stevens and Professor Spring, G. K. Huntington, A. W. Collins, J. A. McDermott, '05, and J. A. Butterworth and C. W. Campbell, '06.

The band concert given in the chapel last Friday evening was a success from the time A. W. Sprague, its leader, took up his baton, till the echoes of the new Maine song died away. Even those who had been present at rehearsals, and knew of the conscientious work that has been done by the band members and its conductor, were astonished at the ease with which even the most difficult selections were rendered. Thomas "Raymond Overture" was particularly fine and especially well done. The Indian characteristic, the sun dance, appealed to the audience and was much applauded. The grand selection from Carmen was also specially noteworthy. It was composed of the prelude, gypsy song, Intermezzo, The Toreador, Introduction to Act III, Avenara and March. Mr. Sprague's violin solo, Schubert's "Serenade" was a finished piece of work, and the bit of his own composition which he played for an encore, delighted his audience. The concert concluded with the march from "Opie" the Glee Club and audience singing to it the words of the new Maine song which was written by Lincoln R. Colcord '06, of Searspott.

MAINE STEIN SONG.

Fill the steins to dear old Maine!
Fill as the rafters ring,
Stand and drink the toast once again!
Let every loyal Maine man sing.
(Then) Drink to all the happy hours,
Drink to the careless days,
Drink to Maine, our Alma Mater,
The college of our hearts always!

To the trees—
To the sky—
To the spring in its glorious happiness!
To the youth—
To the life that is moving and calling us!
To the Gods—
To the fates—
To the rulers of men and their destinies!
To the lips—
To the eyes—
To the girls who will love us some day!

Musical authorities say that the University of Maine band is inferior to few college bands in the country. Waldo county furnishes five members, F. P. Holbrook, '07, of Brooks, flute and piccolo, F. W. Twombly, '07, Belfast, principal clarinet, W. A. Hill, '07, of Wintport, clarinet, A. E. Brown, '07, Lincolnville, and C. J. Moody, '05, of Wintport, horns. The band is to give a concert in Bangor March 17th.

The new athletic constitution which has been prepared with a good deal of care, was adopted last Friday by the University of Maine Athletic Association. The constitution and its by laws provide not only for the varsity games, but for the inter-class games as well, and the awarding of class numerals as well as the "Ms."

Dr. Robinson for Mayor.

BANGOR, ME., February 9. Dr. Daniel A. Robinson was nominated for mayor at the Republican caucus tonight, receiving all the votes cast, 392, there being no opposition.

OBITUARY.

Annie Elizabeth, wife of Samuel L. Sleeper, died at her home on Court street last Thursday morning at 3:15 o'clock after an illness, dating from the previous Friday, of pneumonia. Mrs. Sleeper was born in Belfast, the daughter of the late Ibrook E. and Ann Doyle Collins. Her age was 66 years and 26 days. Jan. 10, 1870, she married Mr. Sleeper in Augusta. One son, John S. L., was born to them Aug. 1, 1871, and died in infancy. Of her father's family there remained one sister, Mrs. Wm. H. Moody of Belfast, and two brothers, Robert U. Collins of San Francisco, Calif., and Frank W. Collins of Bucksport, who is at present on an extended foreign trip and will not return until spring. Mrs. Sleeper was respected and loved by all who knew her and a very large circle of friends have met with a personal loss. She was a very devoted wife and loved her home and its interests. The funeral took place at her late home Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Harry Lutz, Unitarian, of whose church the deceased was a constant attendant, officiating. Messrs. R. H. Moody, G. A. Quimby, W. A. Swift and S. A. Parker acted as bearers.

Evelyn C., wife of Wm. H. Moody, died very suddenly at her home on Congress street Sunday evening. Her sister, Mrs. S. L. Sleeper, was buried that afternoon and the deceased was unable to attend although not considered seriously ill. The immediate cause of her death was heart disease. The two sisters were unusually devoted and assisted each other in every possible way. Mrs. Moody was the daughter of the late Ibrook E. and Ann Doyle Collins. About 50 years ago she married the late George B. Ferguson, who died 12 years ago this month. They lost three children, who died early in childhood. One son, Clinton George Ferguson of Houlton, survives. In 1895 the deceased became the wife of Wm. H. Moody of California, formerly of Belfast, and they resided several years in the west. They came to Belfast and bought the house on Congress street where Mrs. Moody died. Mr. Moody had business interests in California and was in Grass Valley, Calif., when his wife died. The two brothers, Robert U. of San Francisco and Frank W. of Bucksport, have the sympathy of many friends in their double bereavement. She was an affectionate and indulgent mother and many friends and neighbors will miss her in this city which has been her home nearly all her life.

Mr. Oliver H. Lampher, formerly a resident of 53 Maple street, Malden, Mass., died suddenly Feb. 4th, at the residence of Mrs. A. H. Costello, 5 Burr street, Jamaica Plain, from injuries received by a fall. Mr. Lampher was eighty-five years old, had lived in Malden twenty years, and was much attached to his home there. Last October he moved with his family to Jamaica Plain. He enjoyed his usual good health and clear mind up to the time of the accident, and will be greatly missed by his family and friends. He was born in what is now Bucksport, Maine, two years before that State ceased to be a part of Massachusetts, and for many years carried on the business of a builder. He leaves a widow, Mrs. Emma F. Nichols and a step-grandson, Dexter K. Fox. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon, Feb. 6th, and the remains were taken to Searspott, Maine, for interment in the family lot.

John S. Mason died at his home in Montville February 7th, aged 82 years. Mr. Mason was the last surviving member of a prominent and influential family, which has been favorably known in town for many years. He had served the town in various public offices and always with the esteem of his townsmen. He was an indulgent husband and father, an obliging neighbor and good citizen. Of his immediate family all have passed away except one son, C. W. Mason, who has the sympathy of a large circle of friends in his bereavement. The funeral was from his late home Friday, Feb. 10th, H. M. Howard officiating. W. A. Poland had charge of the arrangements.

The bearers were C. E. Howard, A. T. Jackson, D. B. Plummer and Daniel Sanford. Interment was made in the family lot in Mt. Repose cemetery in Montville.

Miss Sarah M. Holmes died at her home in East Belfast, Feb. 7th, aged 63 years. She was taken to Bangor recently for treatment, but nothing could be done to relieve her sufferings. She was born in Swanville, the daughter of the late Hiram and Sally McKee Holmes and was a member of one of the oldest families of Belfast and vicinity. She is survived by a brother, A. H. Holmes, and a sister, Mrs. Rosetta Cunningham, both living in Massachusetts. The funeral was held Friday, Rev. Harry Lutz, Unitarian, officiating.

Mrs. J. W. Hatch of this city received news Monday of the death in Island Falls of her little nephew, Philip Wendell Howard, aged 1 year and 6 months. He was the son of Rev. and Mrs. George C. Howard of Strong, who were visiting Mrs. H.'s parents in Island Falls. The child was taken ill Feb. 8th with croup and bronchitis. Mrs. Howard was formerly Faye M. Flye of Island Falls, and Mr. Howard is the son of Hollis M. Howard of Centre Montville.

Alexander Woodman died at the home of his son-in-law, Prof. L. C. Batesman, on Denison street, Auburn, Feb. 10th, after a brief illness. Mr. Woodman was born in Hollis, Me., July 7, 1822. When he was very young his parents moved to Searspott. He was educated in the public schools and at the school at Waterville which is now the Colburn classical institute. For nearly 30 years after leaving school he taught, his experiences in teaching being probably more extensive than those of any other man now living in the State. In 1862 he enlisted in the 8th Me. reg., becoming quartermaster sergeant the next year, and serving throughout the war in that capacity. After the war he settled down on the old home farm in Searspott, continuing to teach during the winters. He served repeatedly on the board of selectmen and held various other offices in the town. He married Caroline Farwell of Unity in 1848, and she survives him. They had seven children, of whom five are living—Mrs. Batesman, Freeman F. Woodman of Nevada City, Calif.; Oliver D. of Rutledge, Me.; Fred B. of Waterville, Me.; and Charles F. Woodman of Bangor. Mrs. Batesman, Oliver and Charles Woodman were with him when he died. He was a member of a constant attendant at the High street Methodist church, Auburn. He was a member of Burnside Post, G. A. R., but belonged to no other society.

Frank Condon of Colby College was in Pittsfield Saturday, the guest of his brother, Harry Condon. Another brother of Mr. Condon, Arthur A. Condon, of Belfast visited him Monday—Pittsfield Advertiser Feb. 9th.

THE STORY OF THE ICE.

The up-river papers of Thursday last stated that "people had been crossing on the ice from Islesboro to Belfast since Sunday;" but no one in this city had seen or heard of them. Possibly they might have crossed, but it would have been a decidedly risky undertaking. Wednesday's snow acted as a blanket, stopping the making of the ice and tending to soften what had made. The open water at the draw of the lower bridge began to extend down the harbor, and Thursday had overflowed the ice as far down as Lane's wharf.

The ice at the mouth of Castine harbor went out Wednesday night, and Thursday the eastern bay was reported clear to the sea. The Penobscot was clear from Bucksport up to Wintport, and below to a point about half way between Sandpoint and Fort Point. The steamer Ralph Ross has been making daily trips with lumber and other material for the contractors for the Northern Maine Seaport R. R., but Feb. 8th was unable to reach Fort Point on account of the ice and landed her freight at Sandpoint. It was reported that the Pemquid and Ralph Ross attempted to break the ice jam at Fort Point Thursday, but failed. With that part of the river clear the Pemquid could resume her route, omitting the Belfast landing, and the Penobscot would come on again.

The steamer Monhegan which arrived at Portland Feb. 8th from Jonesport via Rockland reported a very good trip so far as weather was concerned but bad as regards ice. Those on the Monhegan said that Penobscot Bay, including both its east and west arms, was completely filled with ice, and Saturday morning it was frozen solid from Rockland to the northern end at Fox Island. In some places this ice was from five to six inches thick and the distance between the two points is about 12 miles. From Friendship it was impossible to see the salt water and from the outer coast-line at that point it was also impossible to see open water.

"Portland harbor has less ice than any other one along the coast, except perhaps Southwest Harbor and Bar Harbor and some of those well outside," said Captain Archibald. "The ice situation along the coast at the present time is not so bad as it was a year ago, but this fact is due entirely to the big easterly storms we have been having which have broken it up before it had a chance to get too thick. There has been more cold this winter, for it began earlier and it is lasting about as late as it did a year ago."

The Monhegan has established a great record for herself this winter as an ice boat and on her last trip at times was obliged to break through ice that was 11 inches in thickness.

The higher temperature Friday did much to aid the tide and current in breaking up the jam which extends from Fort Point to the Portland river and up as far as Odom's ledge, and Friday afternoon this ice looked black and rotten and the current was visible in places near the middle of the jam. If the fall of damp snow had been followed by a rain storm the ice blockade might have been broken; but it cleared off cold and Saturday was cold with a high northwest wind, conditions favorable to making ice. No open water was to be seen from here Friday or Saturday, although the eastern bay was reported clear as far up as Castine. The ice in the western bay extends a mile below Saturday Cove.

The mercury Saturday remained all day at about 12 above zero, but Sunday morning it stood at zero. Sunday was a bright, clear day, with rising temperature, and while it thawed in the sun ice continued to make in the bay and is a foot thick in some places.

It began to snow Sunday evening, changing in the night to rain with a decided rise in the temperature. It was foggy Monday morning and at intervals during the day, clearing at night, with a falling temperature, the mercury standing at zero Tuesday morning. Yesterday the outlook indicated a continuance of the ice blockade.

THE DREDGE KEY WEST.

Built at Belfast by George A. Gilchrist.

The Marine Review of Cleveland, O., publishes the following description of the Dredge Key West, the second vessel of this class built for the U. S. Government by Mr. Gilchrist:

Designs for all the dredges for the United States government are generally prepared by Maj. James C. Sanford, corps of engineers, with headquarters at Philadelphia. The Portland Co. has recently delivered a wooden dredge constructed upon the plan furnished by Maj. Sanford. The dredge is of unusually strong construction and is 141 feet long, 15 ft. 6 in. between perpendiculars, 31 ft. beam and 15 ft. deep. The keel is of oak, the frame is of hard wood and the deck beams and planking of Georgia pine. The dredge is propelled by a compound condensing engine with cylinders 17 and 32 in. diameter by 24 in. stroke, driving a cast iron propeller 7 ft. 8 in. diameter by 12 ft., with four blades. The engine is of the open frame, slipper guide type. The valves are operated by the Stephenson double link motion and consist of a piston valve in the high pressure and a double-ported slide on the low pressure cylinder. Steam is supplied by a Scotch boiler 13 ft. 6 in. in diameter by 12 ft. long, fitted with three Morrison furnaces. The heating surface is 2,925 sq. ft. and the total grate surface is 57 square feet. The 15 ft. 6 in. diameter pump is driven by a compound condensing engine with cylinders 12 and 22 in. by 14 in. stroke, capable of discharging 60 cu. yds. of water per minute against a total head of 14 ft. The dredge, which has been named Key West, is to be used in harbor work.

The illustrations accompanying the article show the general arrangement of the propelling engine, details of the boiler, the compound engine and the Scotch boiler.

FUNERAL OF HON. J. H. MANLEY.

AUGUSTA, Feb. 10. Funeral services for former Senator Joseph H. Manley were held at his residence on Stone street today in the presence of prominent residents of all sections of the State, including a majority of the members of the present Legislature. A special joint committee of five members from each branch also was present. Rev. James S. Williamson of Haverhill, Mass., formerly pastor of the South Parish Congregational Church, of which Mr. Manley was a member, was the officiating clergyman. The bearers were Lucius Tuttle of Boston, president of the Boston & Maine Railroad; George F. Evans of Portland, vice president and general manager of the Maine Central Railroad; Hon. Andrew P. Wiswell of Ellsworth, chief justice of the Supreme court of Maine; former Governor Henry B. Cleaves of Portland, Henry R. Reid of Boston, J. Manchester Haynes, Gen. Orville D. Baker, B. F. Parrott and Charles H. White of Augusta. The interment was at Forest Grove cemetery. Flags on the State House, Post Office, City Hall and other public buildings were placed at half mast against a total head of 14 ft. The funeral mercantile pursuits were suspended.

PERSONAL.

Miss Margaret J. Williams of Belfast spent Sunday with relatives in Northport.

Mrs. Clara Hopkins of Northport is spending the week with friends in Belfast.

Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Smith came over from Auburn Saturday to spend Sunday in Belfast, returning Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hale of Somerville, Mass., arrived last Saturday to visit Mrs. S. S. Woods of East Belfast.

George A. Gilchrist made a business trip to Camden, Rockland, Thomaston and Portland the first of the week.

Nettie A. Parlin of Bradley, Maine, was called to Belfast last week by the death of her cousin, Mrs. S. L. Sleeper.

C. G. Ferguson of Houlton came to Belfast last Monday night, called here by the death of his mother, Mrs. W. H. Moody.

Col. Elijah Walker, formerly of Rockland, is reported seriously sick at Somerville. Col. Walker was formerly colonel of the Fourth Maine Regiment.

Miss L. M. Sleeper, who has been employed as type-writer at the Custom House in Belfast, left Wednesday morning to reside at her home in Waterville, Wis.

Mrs. F. W. Collins of Bucksport was called to Belfast by the death of Mrs. S. L. Sleeper and remained to attend the funeral of Mrs. W. H. Moody, both Mr. Collins' sisters.

C. W. Frederick writes from Miami, Fla., Feb. 10th: "It has been very warm ever since our arrival, 70° to 84° night and day. People here claim it is exceptionally hot for this season of the year."

Rev. John Hatch, the evangelist who is assisting in the union revival meetings now in progress in Belfast, was called to his home in Fairfield Saturday on account of illness in his family. He returned Tuesday.

Mrs. Ella S. Crockett of Enderlin, North Dakota, was in Rockland, Feb. 10th, on her way west after a visit of several weeks at her former home in Vinalhaven. Mrs. Crockett is a daughter of Wm. Brown of the island. It is 24 years since she went to North Dakota.

Charles O. Clark of the C. O. Clark Hotel Co. of East St. Louis, Ill., is one of the incorporators of the East St. Louis Consumers' Electric Light and Power Company, organized to furnish light, heat and power in East St. Louis. There are 750 shares of \$100 each, fully paid up. The company has secured an option on a piece of ground suitable for a plant.

NORTHERN MAINE SEAPORT R. R.

Wharf Building at Cape Jellison. Contract Awarded.

While the ice embargo is delaying operations at Cape Jellison something is being done there. James F. Spelman, the well known wharf builder of Bangor, has a crew there, with a donkey engine and other appliances for building two hundred feet of wharf on the Cape Jellison side of Stockton harbor. A pile driver is building at Bucksport for this work. At first it was thought doubtful if piles of a size and quality to be used in wharf building could be obtained in the country around Stockton and in this emergency the Great Northern Paper Co. was called on to furnish the big sticks with the result that some 20 carloads of piles, nearly 1,000 pieces in all, are now loaded on flat cars of the Bangor & Aroostook railroad at Old Town waiting to be taken to Bucksport when the conditions of the ice and water there are such that they can be taken to Stockton. Meanwhile the country around Stockton has been scoured and 1,000 fine spruce and oak sticks have been secured and will be forthcoming as soon as the work of wharf building is begun.

Word comes from Portland that the steel barge Reliance is there waiting for the harbor to clear of ice before moving to her dock to load hard pine timber for Stockton to be used for capping for the new wharf. This barge is 500 feet long and when loaded for ice breaking is said to be capable of successfully negotiating a foot of ice. If the weather holds as it is so that the barge can be loaded and get away from Portland all right she will probably proceed around to Stockton and make a try to get her cargo landed where it is wanted. At present there is anywhere from four to eight inches of ice in Stockton harbor.

H. Mullen & Co. of Bangor, who will do the masonry work on the new road, have had some of their derricks and other paraphernalia taken to Bucksport preparatory to having it taken to Stockton.

The Richmond News says: "Noble Maxwell and Charles E. Rowe of Rowe Brothers Company, were in Bangor last Saturday, having been called there by President Cram of the B. & A. R. R. Before leaving the city they secured a large contract with the Northern Maine Seaport Company. The Reliance left Portland Monday for Penobscot river, where she will be employed in building the new terminal docks at Sears Island and Mack's Point. This is destined to be a big railroad terminal. This company have bought twelve hundred acres of land at that point, also Cape Jellison and Sears Island and Mack's Point, all three of which are to be made into terminal docks. This is a large contract as there is a great amount of work to be done there."

Big Corner in Eggs.

Chicago, Feb. 10. While Chicago is practically eggless, there being in sight but one egg for each inhabitant, it is said the packers have 4,000,000 in storage and are doing them out in small quantities to keep the corner intact.

Famine prices have prevailed for almost two weeks. It is said the packers filled their houses at from 15 to 17 1/2 cents a dozen. Eggs are now in active demand at 26 cents, and the corner stands to realize a profit of about \$250,000.

For three days this week the total receipts were 398 cases. In the same period last year the receipts were 15,204 cases. The actual demand in Chicago is for 44,000 cases daily and the South Water street merchants say there are but 10,000 cases all told in the market.

U. of M. Wine From Tufts.

University of Maine and Bowdoin were both winners in their events at the big indoor B. A. meet in Boston on Saturday night. U. of M. winning Tufts and Bowdoin winning from M. I. T. Maine's time was 3:14 4-5, Bowdoin's 3:18 1-5.

Maine drew the pole and Preter made a terrific dash on the start and secured a lead of ten feet over McCarthy, the Tufts man and the end of the first relay. Currier held this over Procter and Wyman over Perry and St. Onge was passed up a bare ten feet to carry on the last relay. Gordon, the Tufts man, made a desperate try for two laps and the men fairly flew around the track but the Tufts man couldn't stand the pace and St. Onge hit the tape 20 yards to the good. Time 3:15 4-5.

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THE NEWS OF BELFAST.

There will be a public supper at the Universalist vestry this, Thursday, evening to be followed by a musical program and the farce entitled "A Wonderful Cure." Following is the cast of characters:

Mrs. Gaby Mrs. G. M. Leavitt
Ellen, her niece Mrs. H. E. Ellis
Marian Hoxley Miss Elizabeth Kelley
Jessie, the maid Miss Helen Bird.

Admission to supper and entertainment, 25 cents.

The third annual dinner of the Belfast Club of Boston, will take place at the Copley Square Hotel Friday, Mar. 10th. Reception at 5 o'clock; dinner at 6 o'clock. Tickets \$1.50 for each person. The secretary has had the misfortune to lose his most complete mailing list and hopes all who have not received the announcement card will accept this as an invitation. A fine program of short speaking and music is assured and the banquet will be in the best style of this popular hotel.—Aug. C. Knight sec'y, 381 Talbot Ave., New Dorchester.

STEAMER NOTES. The steamer Juliette of the Rockland and Bluehill line arrived at Castine from Rockland Saturday forenoon with a load of freight for that place and Brooksville; also had freight for Sargentville, Brookline and other places on her route, which she landed at Brooksville. She took a large amount of freight back to Rockland, among the lot nine tons of fishing lines from the Castine Line & Twine Co. In reply to an inquiry, Calvin Austin, vice president and general manager of the Eastern Steamship Co., says that the plans for the Boston and Bangor route are in the air as yet.

THE K. OF P. BALL. Monday evening, Feb. 20th, the 16th annual concert and ball of Belfast Co., No. 2, Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, will be given in the Belfast Opera House with music by the full Belfast Band and orchestra. The concert by the Belfast band will begin at 8, followed by the grand march at 9 p.m. Supper will be served at intermission. F. G. Spinnery will act as floor director. The price of ball tickets, admitting one gentleman and two ladies, will be \$1.50; admission to the hall, 25 cents; reserved seats, 35 cents. Seats on sale at Carle & Jones.

Be sure to hear the "Building of the Ship" which the High school students are to give Friday evening, Feb. 24th. Mr. Emery White is coming from Boston to take a special part in the cantata. The other soloists are Mrs. E. P. Frost, Mrs. E. S. Pitcher and Mr. Hal R. Eaton, all of whom have been connected with the school at some time. The admission is 25 cents. Reserved seats 35 and 50 cents. The certificates may be procured from any of the students. These certificates may be exchanged for reserved seat tickets at the City Drug store on or after Feb. 21st.

Mr. M. M. Brown, late of Mrs. A. H. Day's Academy, Worcester, Mass., will open dancing classes, Saturday, Feb. 18th, at Odd Fellows' hall; 2 to 4 class for masters and misses, elementary. Terms \$4.00 for 12 lessons; \$7.00 for two in same family, one-half in advance, balance at 6th lesson. From 8 to 10 Saturday evening, class for young ladies and gentlemen, terms \$4.00 for gentlemen, \$3.00 for ladies (12 lessons), \$7.00 for two gentlemen in same family, one-half in advance, balance at 6th lesson. A class for adults will be opened as soon as possible. Price for 6 lessons \$2.00 each. Payable one-half in advance, balance at 6th lesson.

THE BIRDS. Despite the severe weather birds have been more numerous than usual this winter. Robins have been seen occasionally, although the Bridgton News doubts that they have put in an appearance up Old Town way, and says: "The robin generally has more sense than to fly northward when the mercury is 25 below zero." That may be, but it is an established fact that many robins do not fly southward in the fall, and hence, like the poor, are always with us. Woodpeckers have been in evidence and bluejays also, and last Friday a large flock of birds were on the bushes and trees at the corner of Court and Franklin streets, chirping merrily. They were nearly as large as a robin, but an unknown species to the writer.

A CLAM Famine. No clams in the markets Saturday. The ice has shut off the local supply entirely. Last winter some small ones were brought in occasionally, but this winter that does not appear to be feasible. One of the market men suggested that when the teams could venture on the ice we might get a supply from the island, but the conditions all alongshore seem to be unfavorable. A steamer arrived at Portland last Thursday with a barrel of clams on board and six clam dealers were on the pier to meet her. One of them paid \$3.25 for the barrel, which is said to be the largest price paid for a barrel of clams in Portland for many years. The Portland Evening Express says: Ice conditions on the flats are now said to be terrible and it is impossible to get any clams from the mud." The smelt fishing here is also a complete failure and none of those dainty little panfish are to be had.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. James H. Howes has an after stock taking clearance sale of remnants and bargains at 9, 19, 29, 39 and 49 cents which begins today, with a specialty of \$1 kid gloves for 69 cents. Take advantage of these unusual bargains. ... Edward Barrett, eye specialist, will be in Belfast 2 weeks at 31 Pearl street. Call and get prices. ... Carle & Jones advertise this week a special cash agate ware sale at 19, 29, 39, and 59 cents. They have received 5,000 rolls of new 1905 wall paper. They are agents in Belfast for prize wall papers on which they offer a 25 per cent discount.

BASKET BALL. It was a decidedly hot game at the Opera House last Friday night between the Old Town High and Belfast High. Our boys had a warm reception when they visited Old Town and returned the compliment. Following is the line-up and score:

OLD TOWN.
1b, Keith.
rb, Phelps.
c, Ballard.
lf, Gould.
rf, Hurley.
Goals thrown from field, G. Holmes, 2; C. Holmes, 1; Black, 2; Harold Hayford, 2; Kelley, 2. From foul line, C. Holmes, 2; Hurley, 2. Total, Belfast, 30; Old Town, 15. After the game Keyes' orchestra furnished music for a social dance. The Belfast High school basketball team challenges any High school team in Maine to play a game here or in their own city or town. The score was 40 to 19 in favor of the Juniors in the game Tuesday evening of the East Belfast vs. the High School Juniors.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Second Assistant Postmaster General until March 7, 1905, for carrying the United States mails for the term from July 1, 1905, to June 30, 1908, on the following described route by the schedule stated, or such other schedule of like running time as the Postmaster General may prescribe: From Bucksport by Castine to Belfast, Me., 25 miles and back, six times a week, in safe and suitable steamboats and by a schedule satisfactory to the department; contractor to perform service between post office and wharf at each point. Leave Bucksport, daily except Sunday, upon receipt of mail from train due at 7:50 a. m.; arrive at Belfast in 2 1/2 hours; leave Belfast, daily except Sunday, at 3:15 p. m.; arrive at Bucksport by 5:45 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$2,000.

Mr. Archie L. Shepard, who is the picnic manager in this particular field, presents in his moving pictures a varied assortment of subjects depicting every phase of life running the entire gamut of human emotions. They are full of interesting dramatic incidents and comic situations, which together with views of travel and excursions into the realms of fancy, provide a unique entertainment lasting over two hours with never a dull moment and combine amusement with instruction. In Shepard's pictures the theatre going public is assured an evening of unalloyed enjoyment, in which no sense of fastidious propriety is offended, and that appeals to every taste and are equally pleasing to old and young. This attraction is announced to appear at the Belfast Opera House Tuesday, Feb. 21st, with a special children's matinee at popular prices.

Alfred S. Burns, of Plymouth, Mass., had a surprise on Monday evening, Feb. 6th. Mrs. Burns is a member of a ladies' whist club, and she let him think the club was to meet with her on that evening. So he willingly lent a hand on the ice cream freezer and in other preparations for the event, but lost sight of the fact that his birthday anniversary came at the same time. When he went out in the evening he was charged to be back at 8:15 to aid in serving the refreshments, and dutifully returned on the minute. As he entered Mrs. Burns hurried to him and called his attention to a lamp in one of the rooms that was not behaving itself, and he stepped in to fix it. The light was very dim, and the room seemingly deserted. After a moment he raised the wick and the flood of light disclosed 20 members of the second degree staff of Sagamore encampment seated in a circle about him. The visitors had brought their music, and the evening was passed in singing a 4 enjoying graphophone selections, cornet solos, etc. At an intermission Dr. John J. Shaw, as spokesman for the degree staff, made Mrs. Burns a present of a handsome music box. The ladies served refreshments, including the ice cream Mr. Burns had been inveigled into making for his own party.—Brookton Times.

Mrs. Burns is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Brown of this city and both she and her husband have many friends and acquaintances here.

SEED TIME

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A RELIGIOUS AWAKENING. Special revival services were begun in the Methodist church under the leadership of the pastor, Dec. 31st and continued until Feb. 3rd, during which time fifteen or more persons found the Savior and many others came to have deep religious concern and the spiritual life of the church was greatly quickened. On Sunday, Feb. 5, the Baptist and Methodist churches began union services in the Baptist church under the direction of Evangelists Taylor and Hatch. The labors of these men have been signally blessed of God by extensive revivals in many New England cities and while at the beginning here the meetings were well attended, the number and interest have steadily increased. On Sunday the three meetings in the Opera House were largely attended and the strong, stirring and convincing sermons by Evangelist Taylor took hold upon the brain and conscience of the people who listened with close attention. The evangelists sing at each service and their preaching is a strong and clear exposition of the word of God. This week the services are being held in the larger auditorium of the Methodist church where on Tuesday evening Evangelist Hatch preached a most telling sermon at the close of which several sought the Savior, as have many done at nearly every service. Such forceful preaching of righteousness will surely result in much good to the city. Meetings for prayer are held at 10:15 each forenoon and the general meetings are at 3:00 and 7:30 p. m., each day. Those who wish to get a seat in the Methodist church next Sunday morning at 10:45 and afternoon at 2:00 will need to go early. Sunday evening at 7:30 there will be a meeting for men only at the Baptist church at which Mr. Taylor will speak from the subject, "How a Crooked Woman was Made Straight," at the same hour there will be a women's meeting at the Methodist church addressed by Evangelist Hatch.

GENTLEMEN'S NIGHT AT THE TRAVELLERS' CLUB. The meeting of the Belfast Travellers' Club held Tuesday, Feb. 14th, was a gala occasion and will remain a pleasant memory, both as an exceedingly pretty "valentine party" and profitable club meeting to all those participating. The regular appointment had been made at the home of the President, Mrs. Edward Sibley, but several days before the members were surprised to find in the family mail dainty cards announcing it as "Gentlemen's Night" and that the husbands and brothers were invited to meet the club at 5:30 p. m. Neither this fact or the zero weather prevented every member of the club, save one who was kept at home by illness in her family, from being present at the hour of meeting. Several honorary members were also in attendance. The fine old colonial mansion was seemingly more attractive than ever in its substantial elegance and the splendid interior convenience for entertaining. The topics of the afternoon, Maurice of Orange, Utrecht, and Admirals Tromp and De Ruyter, were of unusual interest. A very pleasant incident followed the program, when the secretary in behalf of the club presented the president with a valentine in the form of a fine carbon print, prettily framed, of William III., Prince of Nassau, by Van Dyck, as a souvenir of the winter's reading, paying a loving tribute to the many true womanly qualities of the leader of the club. Mrs. Sibley, although completely surprised, responded gracefully and with much feeling. The gentlemen arrived promptly and very soon after all the company were invited to an adjoining room to "earn their supper." This proved to be by guessing what certain articles placed upon a table represented. It was a very amusing test to the Yankeeism of the party and many were truly funny. A chorus of laughter went up, however, when it was announced that a very innocent looking little box of pasteboard containing a few wire hairpins represented the responsible position of "switch tender." At six o'clock the doors of the northeast reception room were thrown open and the guests were invited to enter. The room had been converted into the prettiest of dining-rooms. Three long tables were spread as attractively as dainty linen and exquisite china and cut-glass could make them. In the center of each was a large vase of red and white carnations, and the soft light of candles was shed from beautiful old candelabra. All about were decorations appropriate to the day. At each place was placed a blood red heart (of paper) and beside it a card upon which was written some popular quotation. An hour was spent in discussing the menu and it is hoped "that good digestion waited upon the appetites" of those partaking. A good deal of merriment followed the reading of the quotations

as some were exceedingly pat. After coffee the company repaired again to the parlors and listened to a humorous sketch of "Two Lovers," read by Mrs. D. L. Wilson, certain passages of the story being left blank to be supplied by the listeners. This caused much amusement, and the whole evening was thoroughly enjoyable. The host and hostess richly deserve all the kind and appreciative words said of the splendid entertainment.

TRANSFERS IN REAL ESTATE.

The following transfers in real estate were recorded in Waldo County Registry of Deeds for the week ending Feb. 14, 1905: J. B. Williams, Ardena, Ga., to Ephraim E. Pendleton, Belfast; land in Islesboro. Zilpha J. and Prudence Williams, Lynn, Mass., to Ephraim E. Pendleton, Belfast; land in Islesboro. George E. Darling, Providence, R. I., to Ephraim E. Pendleton, Orland; land in Islesboro. Joseph B. Pendleton, Milton, Mass., to Ephraim E. Pendleton, Orland; land in Islesboro. Emeline J. Bryant, Brewer, to Walter L. Hunt, Bangor; land and buildings in Knox. Evie B. Hustus, Monroe, to Isaac F. Hustus, do.; land and buildings in Monroe.

DR. PIERCE'S MEDICINES.

Last May, the Ladies' Home Journal printed an attack on the patent medicine known as "Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription," charging that it contained seventeen per cent. of alcohol, in addition to opium and digitalis, and oil of anise. It turned out that this statement was untrue, and the Ladies' Home Journal published a retraction. But the retraction did not undo the mischief. The sale of the medicine fell off thirty-six per cent., and the manufacturer now has a suit in court for damages. It is a fact that Dr. Pierce's medicines do not contain a particle of alcohol, opium or other harmful drugs. The "Favorite Prescription" and "Medical Discovery" are compounded of medicinal principles scientifically extracted from indigenous roots.

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Many are the reasons advanced for the failure of these fisheries, but the true cause is the failure to protect the spawning season. In and out of spawning season, he has ruthlessly preyed on the supposedly inexhaustible supply with never a thought of the morrow. With nets, pounds, weirs and other instruments of destruction, not satisfied with catching the fish themselves when about to spawn, he even destroyed the spawn itself—what little found its way to the breeding ground.

Time was when mackerel were caught with the "jig" (hook and line) or with "drags"—small nets dragged behind schooners. These two methods were always effective. Fish remained plentiful, the fisherman made enough money to provide himself with even the luxuries of life, and the price of mackerel remained within the means of the poorest laborer. Then the country grew, facilities for shipping fresh fish to greater distances improved steadily, the fisherman became too affluent, and lay awake nights devising means how to triple his income. Thousands of fish lifted out of a school became an absurd proposition in his eyes. Buoys and floats were used to surround the schools and more at a time, if possible—never mind whether they had or had not spawned. Both fixed and portable nets and traps he invented.

Chief among the apparatus used for catching fish while in a fixed position are traps, pounds and weirs. The trap consists of an oblong inclosure of net, three sides and at the bottom, anchored securely by the side of a channel. Into this the fish enter, and, the bottom of the net being lifted to the surface at the open end, the fish are penned in and driven into a lateral inclosure where they are kept until needed.

The pounds and weirs are far more destructive. These are adapted not only for taking but, many of them, for retaining the fish until convenient to remove them. They are of various construction, depending upon various conditions—the nature of the water, the tides, the nature of the shore, the kind of fish to be taken. The most common form consists of a fence extending from the shore, at right angles to the shore line. The outer end of this straight fence, or wall, is carried into a heart-shaped inclosure of netting, the apex of the heart connecting with a circular "bow" of netting, the bottom of which lies upon the ground at a depth of twenty or thirty feet. In its course the fence is extended, and at the end of the season you find it seaward, hoping to swim around it and continues along the "leader" until it reaches the end which is the entrance to the heart. Here the school swims around and around for a time, the only avenue of escape seeming to be through the apex into the bow, wherein they circle and circle, seeking an outlet.

The weirs differ from these pounds chiefly in being constructed in part or in whole of brushwork and narrow boards, with or without netting; and they are often so arranged that at low tide a sand bar cuts off the escape of the fish, leaving them in a basin inside. But of all the deadly traps of wholesale slaughter perhaps none can equal that portable contrivance, the purse seine. This seine is a net half a mile long and thirty feet deep provided with heavy iron rings along the lower edge to sink it perpendicularly. A rope passing loosely through the rings enables the net to be drawn shut. Entire schools of hundreds of thousands of fish are trapped in this contrivance, scooped to the decks of the schooners. So largely successful were these nets from the very first, that each vessel was provided with one, and millions upon millions of fish—on their way to the spawning ground where each female would lay from ten thousand to twenty thousand eggs—were taken.

Often a single haul of these nets so successful that more mackerel were taken than could be carried away. Then the largest and best specimens were selected and the smaller ones, dead or dying, were thrown back into the sea. Schooner after schooner, with decks and holds crammed full of mackerel, staggered into port only to find the market glutted by earlier competitors. So abundant were mackerel that even in a market so strong as New York's, the fish were sold at fifty cents a hundred and, frequently, street hucksters could fill their wagons for twenty-five cents a load. In fact, times there were when it was impossible to give the fish away, and the vessels had to put out of the harbor and dump their loads out at sea. In 1885, it is estimated, from thirty thousand to forty thousand barrels of mackerel were thus caught and, spoiled, were thrown into the ocean to get rid of them.

And, worse, while this destruction was going on from the time the schools reached Hatteras to the time they were again bound for their unknown quarters in deep water, at Newburyport a criminal, wasteful war was waged against the fish. Here, where the coast is irregular and where there is a difference of twenty or more feet between high and low tides, fishermen-farmers caught mackerel by the wagon-load to spread on their acres in place of manure, or else to feed them to their pigs. The fishes would enter a cove to lay their eggs; when ready to retire to the spawning grounds, they stretched across the entrance of the cove a tide falling fast, until at last entire schools were left high and dry. Then the farmers would drive in with teams, and with shovels and pitchforks load their wagons and spread the mackerel to fertilize the soil.

The most potent of all the reasons for the failure of these fisheries is best given in the words of Captain "Sot" Jacobs, "King of the Mackerel Fishers" at Gloucester, who said: "The chief crime against the fisheries is the practice of catching mackerel during the spawning season. If one-tenth of the eggs of the spawn mackerel caught last season had matured mackerel would be plentiful this year along our shore."

It is easy to understand why, after severe fishing along a certain stretch of the coast, the supply of fish will be reduced to a considerable extent, for, although the supply of fish in the sea may be practically inexhaustible, yet, if the fish of a particular region are all caught, there is no hope that others from surrounding localities will take their place. The exhaustion of a local fishery is not like dipping water out of a bucket, where the vacancy is immediately filled, but is more like scooping lead out of a keg, where there is a space left that remains an empty hole, unoccupied by anything else, for it is a habit of fish that they stay in the place where they were hatched, and the fish of any particular spawning ground having been destroyed, no others will come to take their place.

Other reasons, too numerous to mention within the space of a magazine article, are advanced to explain the decline of these fisheries. But the only tangible one which may hope to control is their devastation by the fishermen, and the sole remedy is to regulate the pounds and traps and the purse seines during the spawning season.

The quickest and surest remedy would be their legal abolition for a series of years. This, however, might prove a harsh measure, and their regulation would probably suffice to restore the fisheries to their former flourishing condition—even as they exist undiminished in Canada today, where stringent laws have protected them.

Almost forty years ago, in 1865, our New England fisheries showed their first alarming decrease. Since that time the supply of fish has been going down steadily. In 1871 and 1872, the United States Fish Commission investigated the subject and recommended the passage of Federal laws restricting the operations of traps and pounds and weirs to certain days throughout the spawning season. Not a law has been passed to protect the mackerel, however.—Pearson's Magazine.

ON AN ISLAND.

"I might swim for it," suggested Tucker with the accent of one who knows the impracticability of what he suggests.

"You might fly for it," retorted Nan Carroll, "for all the good it would do. You should have tied the boat."

"You forget," he pleaded, "that I only came last night, and have not yet had opportunity to become familiar with the tide here. How was I to know that you had a regular Bay of Fundy tide here?"

"If you know as much about geography as you do about some things," she hinted darkly, "you would know that this is the Bay of Fundy tide. It doesn't come in a tidal wave, but it rises as high."

He glanced ruefully at the canoe fast disappearing on the tide, and scanned the shore to see if it offered any hope. Apparently they were as thoroughly lost as though they were on an island in the Pacific instead of three miles from a summer resort. It was Tucker's first experience with a land where they built steamship docks two stories high because of the fall of the tide from the Bay of Fundy, and he had suggested that when he had drawn the canoe well up on the shelving bank the long rope in the bow could not possibly be needed.

He threw himself down beside her. "Nan, dear," he cried, "Don't take it to heart. It will come out all right if I have to swim over to the mainland and steal a boat."

She shook all her five feet five of injured dignity. "I do not see, Mr. Tucker," she said coldly, "that the situation should permit the levity you assume. It may be all right for you, but a woman's fair name—!" Her sobbing broke forth afresh at the thought of what might be said.

"What's the use of taking on so?" he demanded. "You told me last winter that at the end of the season you thought—"

"Do you suppose I thought then that I'd think what I think now?" she cried hysterically. "Do you suppose that I imagined that you would abduct me to a desert island to force me to marry you? Never!"

For want of a better occupation he searched along the shore for clams, finding a few, but deciding after one taste that it would be better to look for berries. It was too late for berries apparently, and there was another pause and reflection. He had just decided that it was as well that Nan Carroll would not marry him, when that changeable young woman plumped herself down upon the beach beside him.

"Why don't you talk?" she asked cheerfully. "It's awfully lonesome around here."

Tucker gasped, but for a moment he did not dare speak. When he found words it was of casual affairs he spoke, not of himself, nor of their predicament, and presently they were chatting as merrily as though there had been none of the stormy scene of the afternoon.

They were still talking when suddenly they heard footsteps behind them and they sprang to their feet.

Just behind them was a tall clerical man in blue overalls and checked calico trousers.

"I hope I don't intrude," he said quizzically.

"Are you Mr. Friday?" demanded Nan. "You see we are Mr. and Mrs. Robinson Crusoe, and our boat is wrecked—or at least I hope it is," she amended viciously.

"I am sorry, Mrs. Crusoe," he said, falling in with her humor. "I am the Rev. Phillip Hardman of Boston, summoned to this island with my family."

Nan gasped. "Why didn't you think of looking to see if there was any one living there?" she demanded of Dave.

"You told me it was deserted," he said defensively, "and I supposed you knew. I only came last night," he added in explanation to the clergyman.

"Mrs. Crusoe forgot to tell me about the time and boat floated away," suggested the clergyman, hospitably, "and I have a boat that will take you back to the hotel."

He strode off, leading the way, and Nan and Dave followed. Once or twice she hammed softly to herself, and Dave could have sworn it was the wedding music from "Lohengrin." At last, as he was helping her to climb a rock which barred her path, she held his hand in hers as she lightly dropped beside him.

"Dave," she whispered, didn't he say he was a clergyman?"

Dave nodded. "The Rev. Phillip Hardman," he replied.

"We could fool that gossiping crowd, pretending we did it on purpose."

More than ever they smiled at the ways of woman, but they were married before supper, for Dave explained to the clergyman that he was afraid she might change her mind again.—George Winthrop, in San Francisco Call.

The Sunshine of Spring.

The Salve that cures without a scar is DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Cuts, Burns, Boils, Bruises and Piles disappear before the use of this salve as snow before the sun of spring. Miss M. M. Middleton, Thebes, Ill., writes: "I was seriously afflicted with a fever sore that was very painful. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured me in less than a week." Get the genuine. Sold by R. H. Moody.

President Eliot on Football.

Football is an immoral game. It is full of trickery, dishonesty and brutal savagery, and injurious to rational academic life in America.

This is the way that President Eliot in his annual report just issued goes after the good old game of football. While joining in with the old protesting chorus that has from the beginning pleaded against the cruelty and brutality of football, President Eliot scores first blood in the anti-football crusade by attacking the moral status of the game.

Dr. Eliot believes that in a football suit the average college boy is a veritable demon. He plays to win, no matter how. He uses his fists and his feet on the opposing team when the umpire is not looking.

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Health of American Women

A Subject Much Discussed at Women's Clubs—The Future of a Country Depends on the Health of Its Women.



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At the New York State Assembly of Mothers, a prominent New York doctor told the 600 women present that healthy American women were so rare as to be almost extinct.

This seems to be a sweeping statement of the condition of American women. Yet how many do you know who are perfectly well and do not have some trouble arising from a derangement of the female organism which manifests itself in headaches, backaches, nervousness, that bearing-down feeling, painful or irregular menstruation, leucorrhoea, displacement of the uterus, ovarian trouble, indigestion or sleeplessness? There is a tried and true remedy for all these ailments. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has restored more American women to health than all other remedies in the world. It regulates, strengthens and cures diseases of the female organism as nothing else can.

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THE RAILROAD QUESTION.

The Whole Nation Supports the Roosevelt Plan.

Judging by the result of a canvass of State Governors, legislators and other distinguished leaders of political thought, President Roosevelt has the almost unanimous support of the nation in his fight for enlargement of the powers of the Interstate Commerce Commission and for further governmental control and regulation of railway freight rates. East and West, North and South, every Governor who was willing to be quoted on the subject declared himself to be in favor of the plan. The Florida East Coast Railroad, which is the subject of the bill, is a line of one hundred and thirty-six miles. This extension will be both unique in its conception and novel in its proposed construction. The Florida East Coast Railroad, as is well known, is the personal property of the Record-Herald, and is located on the Eastern rim of the State of Florida, where it is for the greater part of its length in sight of the waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

Mr. Flieger has for some time been anxious to reach a nearer point to Havana with his railroad, and to this end had been running the line from Key West to Cape Sable. After this survey was made he decided that this line was not feasible, and he, therefore, made a survey along the coast and the keys to Key West.

Mr. Flieger now proposes to build an extension south from Miami across to Key Largo, on the neck of land separating Baines Sound from Blackwater Sound, and running thence along Key Largo, Long Key, upper and lower Matcumbe and other keys to Key West.

These Florida keys are coral ridges, most of them containing a lake in the center and covered with a thin soil and luxuriant vegetation. Some are scarcely above high water, and are only a mangrove thicket. Others are inhabited and cultivated, and some contain wells or springs of fresh water. Outside these keys runs the Florida reef, another coral reef that does not reach the surface of the water. Between them is Hawk Channel which is used by medium sized vessels.

Most of the channels connecting the inside passage with Hawk Channel are small and shallow. As these keys are small and shallow, the work will be a large amount of filling on the coral rock foundation.

Approximately thirty-five miles of the line will be over water and the balance over keys partly rock and partly submerged.

Most of the keys are destitute of soil, and the only material available for filling is found in the bars and shoals of pulverized sea shell formed near the keys. An examination of the coast chart shows that the building of a road with grade eight feet above mean low tide would require 40,000 cubic yards of material per mile.

At present there are three parties in the field locating this line. They are in charge of J. C. McIlhenny, engineer of construction, whose headquarters are at Miami, Fla. From the terminus at Key West it is proposed to run boats to Havana, eighty-five miles. It is proposed to build these "ferry" boats large enough to carry freight trains. O. J. D.

State of Maine Club.

B. STON, Feb. 9. The State of Maine Club, composed of members of the Massachusetts Legislature who were formerly residents of Maine, held its annual banquet at the Quincy House Tuesday night. Nineteen members of the club attended the banquet, which was quite informal. Former Secretary of the Navy, John D. Long, had been invited, but he sent his regrets a previous engagement making it impossible for him to be present.

Admitted to the State Bar.

BANGOR, Feb. 9. Out of 18 candidates who took their examinations for admission to the State bar Tuesday and Wednesday only six were successful. They were: Roland E. Clark, Houlton; Ulysses G. Mudgett, Hampden; Percy N. H. Lombard, Old Orchard; William A. Johnson, Milo; Melville H. Simmonds, Hallowell; H. D. Foss, Houlton.

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Things Wrongly Named.

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Life is new is unknown in Ireland.

Rice paper is not made of rice or the rice plant.

Kid gloves are not made of kid.

German silver is not silver, nor of German manufacture, it having been made in China for centuries.—Chicago Post.

"How do you like school?" asked a father of Bertha, after her first day.

"I like it awfully!" was the reply.

"And what did you learn to-day?" inquired the interested parent.

"Oh, a lot!" replied the daughter. "I've learned the names of all the boys."

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Literary News and Notes.

As far as can be learned from reports of the leading book sellers in this country the best selling book of humor during the holidays was the "Foolish Dictionary." The publishers, John W. Luce and Company, announced that although they were prepared for a big demand the supply was not near enough and five days before Christmas they had to decline all orders until the 6th edition was issued on Jan. 5th. It is also interesting to note that the sale to date is nearly 100,000 copies.

"What to Eat" is the recognized champion of the pure food movement, and demonstrates convincingly each month the growing need for such a movement. Indeed there is already danger of wholesale poisoning with the coloring matter and preservatives used in articles of daily consumption. But aside from its well directed labors in behalf of pure food, "What to Eat," is a most entertaining magazine and contains matter of interest to the housekeeper and the dinner and party giver. It is published by the Pierce Publishing Co., Chicago, \$1.00 a year.

Holman F. Day has contributions in four of the February magazines; stories in Ainslee's, the National and Country Life, and a poem in the Cosmopolitan. He had stories in two of the January magazines and in December established what was probably a record among writers in having contributions in no fewer than nine magazines. Leslies' has made a contract with him for eight short stories for the present year. The Youth's Companion will publish a serial story from his pen this year, and has asked him to write another one for next year. Day's story, "The Fog Will Lift," by Mr. Day on Shiloh will appear in one of the April magazines.

The Rudder steadily grows in favor with boat builders and yachtsmen, and the editor has from the warm regard of the latter, who greatly enjoy his monthly talks. Of the many crafts, steam, sail and gasoline, now in process of construction it is safe to say that the majority are from plans found in The Rudder or from modifications of these plans; and if called upon to offer advice we should say stick to the lines as laid down and do not attempt to improve on the work of an expert. Just now The Rudder is devoting some of its space to ice boating, and the designs it has given in the past for building ice boats have been duplicated many times. Rudder Publishing Co., 9 Murray street, New York, N. Y.

The New England Magazine for February appears in its old-time, familiar cover, which it donned with the January issue, in response to many requests from old subscribers. The frontispiece is a handsome portrait of Major General, the Hon. William A. Baurort, President of the Boston Elevated Railway Company. The opening feature is an illustrated article on that latest stupendous enterprise—just completed—the Boston Elevated Railway Company, "The East Boston Tunnel," written by Frederick Rice, Jr. This is followed by an interesting account of "Olive Culture in California," by Arthur Inkley, also illustrated, and many other articles of interest and value. The fiction is distinguished by its usual variety and excellence.

Mr. Craig S. Thoms' bird articles are becoming a welcome magazine feature. In the New Idea Woman's Magazine for March, he writes on "How to Attract the Birds," and fresh photographs of the little pensioners at the familiar "food box" and "suet hole" illustrate the article. Mr. Thoms tells of taming the downy and hairy woodpeckers, the nuthatch, the brown creeper, the black-capped chickadee, the blue jay and other birds to such an extent that they will come close to your window daily in cold weather to feed. Of the last named he says: "Your fear is not that they will fail to find your food-box, no matter where you place it, but rather that you will be made bankrupt keeping it supplied with provisions, for they eat on eat all their small bodies can hold, but carry away and secrete much that may be left."

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No more savory body of biographical material has appeared for a long time in any American magazine than the Le-lan papers, now appearing in the Atlantic Monthly, dealing with the life of Charles Godfrey.

"Hans Breitmann" The preliminary account of Hans Breitmann in the January number gave us, among other hitherto unknown gems, the following new verse for Hans Breitmann's well-known "Bart."

"Hans Breitmann gave a party, And he was a good fellow too; He bled at Kuss in Ringer, Deil de gals vos almost had! And ven indo de goner Py Lydia vos dook, Mine was a goodest in Thranen To drink how sweet she look."

Now, in the February number Mrs. Pennell, his niece, presents a most admirable account of Hans Breitmann as a man of letters, and a most interesting and romantic experiences of Le-lan in the first-hand study of gypsy life. The series will conclude with two installments of interesting and important correspondence between Le-lan and the foremost men of the time.

The Washington Birthday number of The American Boy is replete with matter of historical interest. Its contents include a full page, illustrated article, "How Artists Painted Washington," by Francis Hampton, the proud little lad of Valley Forge. "A Washington at the Point," "A Washington's Birthday Party," "The Story of Lincoln's Boyhood," "Washington and the Flag." The cover of The American Boy this month is an intensely interesting one, as it represents Washington at prayer in the Valley Forge days.

The best remedy recently put into the East Side Y. M. C. building in New York City. The stories this month include further chapters of "My Four Years at West Point," the first of a new series of bear stories entitled "Capturing a Thief," the story of a little Italian entitled "What Happened to

Pietro," "A Thousand Miles in a Small Boat," "A Piratical Misadventure," "The Young Midshipman's Adventure," "Down Brownlow Hill," "Grog," and "Tatters Helps the Editor."

THE MOTHER'S STRIKE.

Such a dream I had! So dreadful That I never heard the like; For I dreamt that on a sudden The mammae agreed to strike.

"We are tired," I heard them murmur, "Of working night and day, And we have heard 'Thank you' Such long hours and such poor pay!"

So they would not mend the jackets Nor the holes in stockings small, No one ran to kiss the bruises When poor Tommy caught a fall.

No one bound up wounded fingers, No one glued the broken toys, No one answered all the questions Of the eager little boys.

No one tied the little bonnets, No one brushed the little curls, No one basted doll dresses For the busy little girls.

No one heard their little troubles, No one held them on her lap, No one sewed on truant buttons, No one hunted Johnny's cap.

And there were no bedtime stories, No loving hands to tuck Blankets soft round little sleepers; For their mothers all had struck.

Oh, so lonesome and so dreadful And so queer it all did seem! Aren't you glad, dear little children, It was nothing but a dream?

—Elizabeth M. Thomas.

THE FOG WILL LIFT.

The fog will lift before the day is done; Already through the mist, spectral and pale, Half gleams the glory of the morning sun, Half he disdains to draw the fleecy veil.

Now for a moment clears the crested cliff; And now, as suddenly it sinks from sight; But slowly, slowly the gray fog will lift, And yet again the earth and sky be bright.

As suddenly a breeze sail doth shift, Hope's messenger of ocean seen through tears, As o'er the wave the filmy fog doth lift, So from my fate the fog shall lift to light.

Hope is not dead because the sun be hid, A murky morning brings a radiant sun; The sunny eye will surely lift its lid.

And more and more unto the perfect day The shadows gathered on the way shall drift. A clearer vision comes with evening's ray; Before the day is done the fog will lift.

—Unknown.

Millions of Miles.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10. The chief of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture has completed his estimate of the number and value of farm animals in the United States on Jan. 1, 1905, by separate States. The totals for the country are shown in the following table:

Farm Animals.	Value.
Horses.....	17,057,702 \$1,300,310,020
Mules.....	2,888,710 251,840,378
Much cattle.....	582,372,464 682,372,464
Other cattle.....	45,689,443 661,571,308
Sheep.....	45,170,423 127,331,850
Swine.....	47,320,511 283,254,978

The numbers of farm animals as reported in the table represent the result of a very careful investigation by correspondents and field agents without exclusive reference to the relation such figures should bear to those of last year. That there has been a material reduction in the number of sheep during the year together with a slight increase in the numbers of all other farm animals, admits, however, of no doubt.

The Kineo Is Off.

With a full cargo of coal on board, the American steel schooner Kineo sailed from Norfolk on Thursday of last week for Manila. She is the first American sailing vessel to take a cargo of coal to the naval station of the United States in the Philippines. From Manila the Kineo will sail for Australia, then to Honolulu, after which she will return to New York. Capt. Patton, on a trip around the world, will be accompanied by his wife.—The Nautical Gazette.

OUR COAST DEFENSES.

The Government May do Something at

It now looks as though the Penobscot was to be prepared for emergency from the attacks of a future enemy.

Maj. Arthur Murry, U. S. A., and Capt. W. G. Ellis were in Bucksport last week, where it is said they went to look the ground over for the building of coast defenses in that part of the river. Maj. Murry is a recognized authority on coast defenses and has had much to do with the work, his regular station being at the United States marine depot at Fort Totten, N. Y. It is not known just what is intended to be done at Bucksport, or if any plans have been made, but it is probable that the visit of the two army officers to that place is of considerable significance.

A new bill of the recent passage of the bill by Congress appropriating a large amount of money to be used in coast defense. Old Fort Knox would not long withstand the guns of a modern ship of even the smaller size. Besides the old fort, which by the way is a grand bit of scenery much admired by visitors to Maine, there is little to protect the towns on the river from an attack by the enemy, or to stop them from going to Bangor. Major Murry has written a book on coast defenses and is a member of an official army board having coast defenses in control. He served in the Philippines and saw active service there.

